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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the non-final office action dated June 1, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time for two months is attached to extend the time until September 1, 2006, which is within the six-month statutory period. In the event that this petition is absent or the fee requested to be withdrawn from the deposit account is deficient, please consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 to 1.18 from Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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